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## **DECLARATION AND PETITION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled Dispensing device and dispensing assembly for flower vases, flower vase and method for placing flowers into a vase the specification of which was filed on 30 December 2003 as PCT/NL03/00949.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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